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CROP PRODUCTION – MAY 2020

UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

Hay stocks on Utah farms and ranches as of May 1, 2020 totaled 300,000 tons, up 7 percent from stocks of 280,000 tons on hand last year, according to the May 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Hay production for 2019 was 2.62 million tons, 19 percent higher than 2018 production. Disappearance from December 1, 2019 to May 1, 2020 was 1.00 million tons, compared with 700,000 tons the same period a year earlier.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.25 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2019. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 51.7 bushels per acre, down 1.9 bushels from last year's average yield of 53.6 bushels per acre.

Hard Red Winter production, at 733 million bushels, is down 12 percent from a year ago. Soft Red Winter, at 298 million bushels, is up 24 percent from 2019. White Winter, at 224 million bushels, is down 3 percent from last year. Of the White Winter production, 16.2 million bushels are Hard White and 207 million bushels are Soft White.

All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2020 totaled 20.4 million tons, up 37 percent from May 1, 2019, which were the second lowest since records began in 1950. Disappearance from December 1, 2019 - May 1, 2020 totaled 64.1 million tons, down less than 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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